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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: CVIS UR (GALICH, ALEKSANDR)

SUBJECT: ACCESS TO EMBASSY: WRITER GALICH SEEKS INVITATION

1. WESTERN CORRESPONDENT IN MOSCOW (SHAW OF TIME MAGAZINE) HAS CONVEYED TO CONSOFFS REQUEST OF DISSIDENT WRITER-BALLADEER ALEKSANDR GALICH (GINZBURG) THAT HE BE INVITED TO EMBASSY CONSULAR SECTION TO DISCUSS VISA QUESTIONS RELATING TO VISIT TO US. ACCORDING TO CORRESPONDENT, GALICH HAS INVITATIONS FOR US VISIT AND HOPES TO REMAIN PERMANENTLY. GALICH EVIDENTLY DOES NOT HAVE SOVIET EXIT PERMISSION AND WAS REPORTEDLY STRIPPED OF WRITERS' UNION MEMBERSHIP WHEN HE EARLIER APPLIED TO EMIGRATE TO ISRAEL.

2. COMMENT: UNLESS DEPT FEELS GALICH REQUEST FOR EMBASSY INVITATION SHOULD BE TREATED DIFFERENTLY FROM THAT OF BARABANOV AND SAKHAROV STEPCHILDREN, EMBASSY PLANS TO SEND HIM NEXT WEEK STANDARD BILINGUAL FORM LETTER (DESCRIBED IN MOSCOW 11T582 AND 11702). IT SEEMS CLEAR THAT GALICH, PERHAPS LIKE BARABANOV AND OTHERS, BELIEVES DISSIDENT'S PROSPECTS FOR EMIGRATION AND EVEN PERSONAL SECURITY MAY BE SOMEWHAT ENHANCED BY VISIT TO EMBASSY CONSOFF FOR VISA AND EMIGRATION COUNSELING. SOVIET MFA OFFICIALS HAVE THUS FAR NOT SHOWN ANY CONCERN OR INTEREST IN THIS VERY RECENT PHENOMENON, WHICH NONETHELESS BEARS CLOSE WATCHING.  
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